

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace Paragraph [0005], pages 2-3, with the following paragraph rewritten in amendment format:

[0005] Japanese Utility Model Laid-Open No. 62-39007 discloses an assembly for attaching a molding such as a side guard molding to a vehicle body. In this assembly, a plurality of ~~clip~~ clips are fixed to the molding, and a corresponding number of grommets are fixed to a vehicle body. Then, the clips are inserted into the corresponding grommets to attach the molding to the vehicle body. For allowing the clips to be received into the corresponding grommets even if the distance between the adjacent clips or grommets is varied by dimensional tolerances or thermal expansions, one of the adjacent grommets is arranged to have a longitudinal length greater than that of the other grommet. The assembly described in this publication does not include any suggestion on attachment of a footrest plate. Further, a misalignment caused by tolerances or thermal expansions is compensated by only one grommet. Thus, even if this assembly can be applied to a footrest, the aforementioned rotational or wobbling movement would be caused. Japanese Utility Model Laid-Open No. 01-162847 discloses an assembly for attaching a garnish to a vehicle body. In this assembly, a plurality of clips are fixed to the rear side of the garnish by means of retainers with leaving a predetermined distance therebetween. A plurality of mounting holes are formed in the vehicle body at corresponding positions apart from a predetermined distance therebetween. The retainers are formed with elongated grooves, respectively, extending in one direction to removably hold the clips in the grooves. One of the ~~retainer~~ retainers is formed with an L-shaped groove so that the clip is held immovably in the retainer in the longitudinal direction. As with the aforementioned assembly, the assembly described in this publication does not include any suggestion on attachment of a footrest plate. In particular, this assembly is intended to detachably hold the garnish, and is unsuited for a measure for reducing the rotational or wobbling movement of a footrest plate.

Please replace Paragraph [0007], pages 3-4, with the following paragraph rewritten in amendment format:

[0007] In order to achieve the above object, the present invention provides a footrest plate having a footrest side and a rear side opposite to the footrest side, wherein the rear side is provided with clips to be fixedly received in corresponding mounting holes formed, in a workpiece such as a vehicle body. The clips ~~is~~ are composed of first and second clips to be insertably received into a pair of corresponding first and second mounting holes formed in the workpiece with leaving a certain distance therebetween. Each of the first and second clips having a rectangular cross-sectional insertion portion insertable into corresponding one of the first and second mounting holes, each formed in a rectangular shape. The rectangular cross-sectional insertion portion of the first clip includes a pair of longitudinal sides each of which extends in the longitudinal direction of the footrest plate and has a length shorter than that of each longitudinal side of the first mounting hole by a first clearance, and a pair of lateral sides each of which extends in the lateral direction perpendicularly to the longitudinal direction of the footrest plate and has a length substantially equal to or slightly shorter than that of each lateral side of the first mounting hole. Further, the rectangular cross-sectional insertion portion of the second clip includes a pair of longitudinal sides each of which extends in the longitudinal direction and has a length substantially equal to or slightly shorter than that of each longitudinal side of the second mounting hole, and a pair of lateral sides each of which extends in the lateral direction and has a length shorter than that of each lateral side of the second mounting hole by a second clearance.